

# WISCONSIN RIVER RAIL TRANSIT COMMISSION

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MEMBER COUNTIES: CRAWFORD ✍ DANE ✍ GRANT ✍ IOWA ✍ ROCK ✍ SAUK ✍ WALWORTH ✍ WAUKESHA

DATE: 30 December 2005  
TO: Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commissioners & Other Interested Persons  
FROM: Joni Graves, SWWRPC Transportation Planner / Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission

**Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission**  
**Executive Committee Mtg. – Friday, 6 January 2006 at 10:00 a.m.**  
Dane County Highway Garage, 2302 Fish Hatchery Road, Madison, WI

**Commissioners – if you will not be attending the meeting, please call 608.342.1057.**

If you have any questions regarding the Agenda, or if our mailing information for you is incorrect, please email [gravesjh@uwplatt.edu](mailto:gravesjh@uwplatt.edu) or call 608-342-1057. Thank you.

## WRRTC'S 2006 CALENDAR:

6-Jan	XCom
10-Feb	Full Commission
10-Mar	XCom
7-Apr	XCom
5-May	Full Commission (election)
9-Jun	XCom
7-Jul	XCom
4-Aug	Full Commission
8-Sep	XCom
6-Oct	XCom
10-Nov	Full Commission
8-Dec	XCom



Unless otherwise noticed, the Commission's meetings are held on the first Friday after the first Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m. at the Dane County Highway/Transportation Building.

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## WRRTC MEETING NOTICE & AGENDA

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Estimated time: 10 minutes

1. **Call to Order** – Steve Foye, Chair
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Action Item >>> Certification of Public Notice** – meeting noticed by Graves
4. **Action Item >>> Approval of the Agenda** – prepared by Graves
5. **Possible Action Item >>> Note:** The **December Minutes** were not complete at the time of this mailing; they will be provided at the January meeting and the XCom may take action or defer approval until February. –*jhg*

#### REPORTS

Estimated time: 10 minutes

6. **WSOR Monthly Operator's Report** – Ken Lucht, WSOR.
  - a) Update on monthly maintenance activities, progress of capital project planning, and continuing issues / topics.

Estimated time: 10 minutes

7. **WisDOT Updates** – Frank Huntington and Roger Larson, WisDOT.
  - a) WisDOT continuing issues and topics, which may include studies, funding, encroachment issues, etc.
  - b) **Note:** Possible action on the **Watertown Line / STB application** is included (see Commission Business, below) in the event that further action on this time-sensitive matter may be needed. –*jhg*

Estimated time: 10 minutes

8. **Administrative Staff Report** – Joni Graves, SWWRPC / WRRTC staff.
  - a) **Update >>> Commission vacancies** – Walworth and Dane Counties.
  - b) **Possible Action Item >>> Railroad Coordinating Committee** – the Commission may appoint two new representatives fill vacancies on this ad hoc committee and seeks interested volunteers.
  - c) **Spring Grove Feed Mill site – Note:** I've been on vacation and, in the event that new information requiring action may await my return to the office on January 3<sup>rd</sup>, this is included as a possible action item (see Commission Business, below). –*jhg*
  - d) **Update & Possible Action >>> Further discussion about mileage / expense policy** [forwarded from the December meeting] – Graves and Matzinger.
  - e) **Possible Update >>> Appropriations funding application** – at its December meeting, the Commission authorized proceeding and formal work will commence in January – Graves and Lucht.

Estimated time: 10 minutes

9. **WRRTC Financials & Contracts** – Jim Matzinger, Dane County / WRRTC staff.
  - a) **Action Item >>> Treasurer's Report presentation and discussion** - December 2005.
  - b) **Possible Action Item >>> Presentation of bills received by WRRTC.**
  - c) **Possible Action Item(s) >>> Status of 2005 project funds, 2006 billings, and the 2006 budget.**

#### COMMISSION BUSINESS & PROPERTY ISSUES

Estimated time: 10 to 30 minutes

10. **Update & Possible Action >>> Removal / Relocation of Rail Spur in Mazomanie** – Foye. Actions / recommendations from the previous meeting: a) Foye will contact Mazomanie's Village President about their attorney drafting the agreement; b) if the sub-committee (Foye, Gray, and Van Schwartz) can meet in January, recommendation(s) would come to the full Commission in February.
11. **Possible Action Item >>> Watertown Line** – WisDOT had proposed further amending the WRRTC / WisDOT Grant and Operating Agreements for the Madison-to-Watertown Railroad line. After review, the Surface Transportation Board required some changes to the language and set a December 22, 2005 deadline. In December the Commission gave authority to its chair, attorney, and admin. staff to work with WisDOT to devise amendments to the Watertown Operating Agreement to meet the STB's requirements and deadline.
12. **Update & Possible Action Item >>>** related to ongoing property issues at the **Spring Grove Feed Mill** site.
13. **Adjournment.**